RESOLUTION NO. 79-22

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE APPLICATION FOR THE FY 2022-2023 PEACE OFFICERS BEHAVORIAL HEALTH SUPPORT AND COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP GRANT (POMH) FROM THE COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL AFFAIRS (DOLA)

Recitals:

City Council has considered and for the reasons stated, authorizes an application for the FY 2022-2023 Peace Officers Behavioral Health Support and Community Partnership Grant which will provide financial assistance to the Grand Junction Police Department to provide mental health support to officers and training to the Peer Support Team.

GJPD was awarded this grant in 2021 and would like to apply for the 2022-2023 cycle. Applications cannot be submitted unless approved by the city council.

GJPD is requesting \$45,650 in grant funding to cover the monthly retainer for four local licensed professional counselors who have backgrounds working with first responders. This retainer will include three hours per week in the Police Department building for drop in's, six trainings per year with the Peer Support Team which provides additional mental health support to officers, attending briefings and ride-alongs, and other functions as needed to establish connections with GJPD employees. Funding will also support annual wellness checks with mental health professionals and additional training opportunities for Peer Support members.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION THAT:

- 1: The City Council of the City of Grand Junction strongly supports the application to DOLA to obtain funds needed to complete the Project. The City Manager is authorized and directed to work to finalize and timely submit such FY 2022-2023 DOLA POMH grant application.
- 2: If the grant is awarded, the City Council of the City of Grand Junction strongly supports the completion of the Project and authorizes the City Manager to sign an appropriate grant agreement on behalf of the City as grantee of the FY 2022-2023 DOLA POMH grant.

This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and adoption.

Passed and adopted this 19th day of October, 2022.



Anna Stout
President, Grand Junction City Council

ATTEST:

Amy Phillips City Clerk